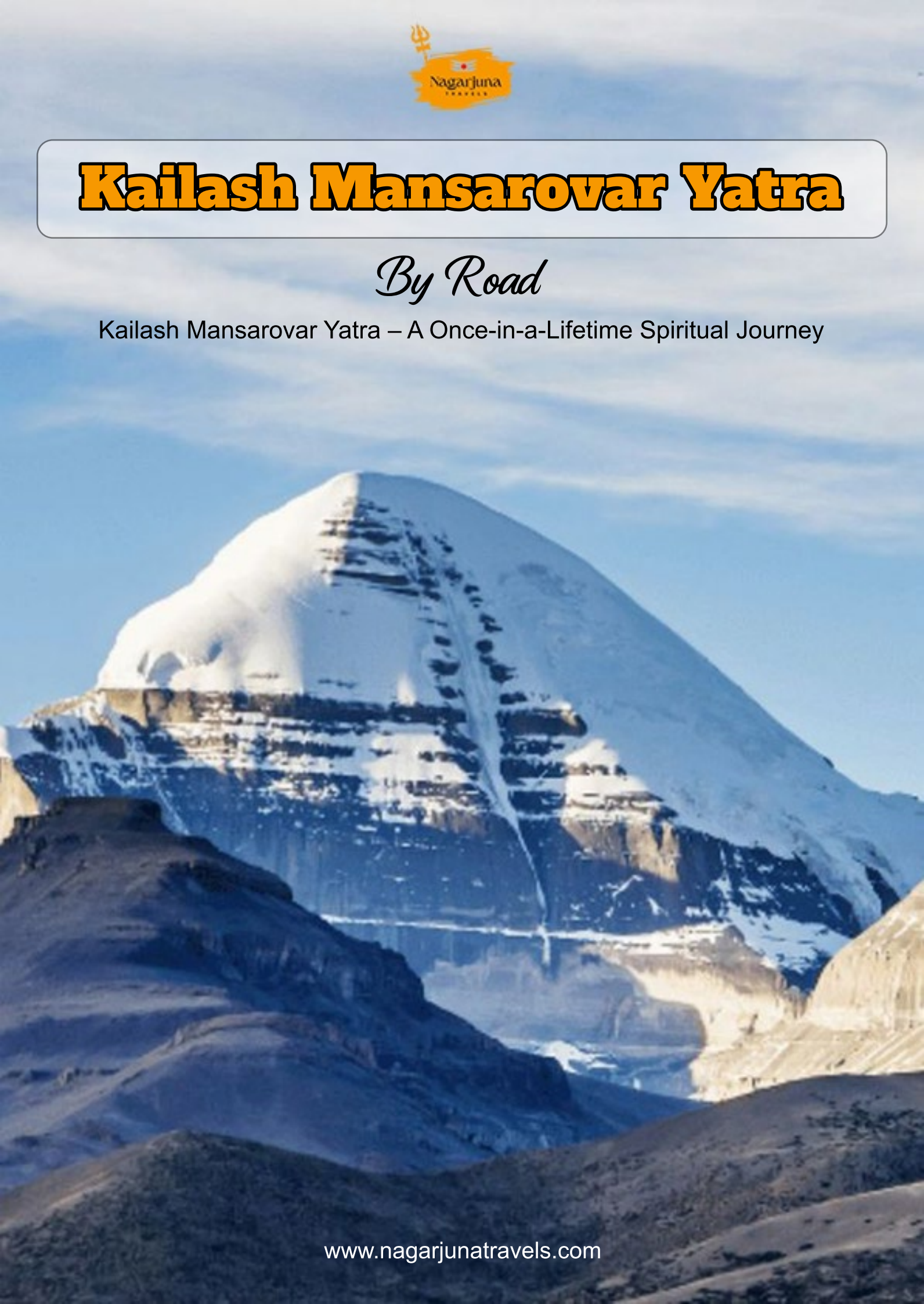
Kailash Mansarovar Yatra

By Road

Kailash Mansarovar Yatra – A Once-in-a-Lifetime Spiritual Journey



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13 Nights / 14 Days | Via Nepal – Tibet Route

Route: Kathmandu → Kyirung → Saga → Mansarovar → Darchen → Kailash Parikrama → Return

Season: May to September 2026

Start & End Point: Kathmandu

Maximum Altitude: 5,630 m (Dolma La Pass)

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ITINEARARY

DAY 1

Arrival in Kathmandu (1,300 m)

On arrival at Kathmandu International Airport, you will be received by our representative and assisted with transfer to the hotel. After rest and refreshment, the evening is reserved for a **yatra briefing**, where important instructions regarding altitude, health precautions, parikrama details, and journey discipline are explained. This day allows your body to begin adjusting before the high-altitude journey ahead.

DAY 2

Kathmandu Sightseeing & Yatra Preparation

After breakfast, proceed for a guided sightseeing tour of Kathmandu Valley. Visit **Pashupatinath Temple**, one of the holiest Shiva temples, followed by **Boudhanath Stupa**, a major center of Tibetan Buddhism. Continue to **Budhanilkantha** and Kathmandu Durbar Square. Later in the day, return to the hotel for packing and final yatra preparations.

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DAY 3

Kathmandu → Kyirung (1,600 m)

Early morning drive towards the Nepal–Tibet border via Rasuwagadhi. The scenic mountain journey takes you through river valleys and Himalayan terrain. After completing immigration and border formalities, continue driving to Kyirung. Upon arrival, check in and rest. This is your first night in the Tibetan region and an important step toward altitude acclimatization.

DAY 4

Kyirung → Gyirung County (2,800 m)

After breakfast, proceed with Chinese immigration and customs formalities. Following completion, drive a short distance to Gyirung County. The increase in altitude is gradual, helping your body adapt. The remainder of the day is kept light for rest, short walks, and hydration.

DAY 5

Gyirung County – Acclimatization Day

This day is reserved exclusively for **acclimatization**. You may take gentle walks around Gyirung County, explore the local market, and observe Tibetan culture. Medical monitoring and rest are strongly advised. Proper acclimatization here is essential for safely reaching higher altitudes later in the journey.

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DAY 6

Gyirung County → Saga (4,500 m)

After breakfast, begin the long but breathtaking drive to Saga. En route, you cross high mountain passes and view the mighty Brahmaputra River. As the altitude increases significantly, travelers are advised to remain calm, hydrated, and avoid exertion. Arrival at Saga by evening, followed by rest.

DAY 7

Saga → Mansarovar Lake (4,550 m)

Today is one of the most spiritually significant days of the yatra. Drive towards the sacred **Lake Mansarovar**, considered the source of purity and divine energy. On arrival, pilgrims experience the first darshan of the holy lake and Mount Kailash in the distance. Evening is spent in prayer, meditation, and spiritual reflection near the lake.

DAY 8

Mansarovar Parikrama → Darchen (4,600 m)

After breakfast, perform the **vehicle parikrama of Mansarovar Lake** (approximately 102 km). Pilgrims may take a holy bath (weather permitting) and perform puja, havan, and rituals as per tradition. Later, drive to Darchen, the base point for the Kailash Parikrama. Rest well in preparation for the trekking days ahead.

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DAY 9

Darchen → Yamdwar → Diraphuk

After breakfast, drive to **Yamdwar**, the sacred gateway to Mount Kailash Parikrama. Begin the first day of the parikrama with a trek of approximately 12 km to Diraphuk. The route offers close views of the **north face of Mount Kailash**. Arrival by evening, followed by rest.

DAY 10

Diraphuk → Dolma La Pass (5,630 m) → Zutalphuk (4,650 m)

This is the most challenging and spiritually rewarding day of the yatra. Early morning start for the trek toward **Dolma La Pass**, the highest point of the journey. After crossing the pass, descend to **Gauri Kund**, a sacred site associated with Goddess Parvati, and continue trekking to Zutalphuk. This day requires strong determination, faith, and physical endurance.

DAY 11

Zutalphuk → Darchen → Saga

After breakfast, complete the final stretch of the parikrama with a short trek of about 8 km to the pickup point. Rejoin the group at Darchen and drive back to Saga. This marks the successful completion of the Kailash Parikrama.

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DAY 12

Saga → Gyirung County

Begin the return journey towards Gyirung County, retracing the scenic Tibetan plateau route. As altitude gradually decreases, travelers often feel improved energy levels. Evening is free for rest and packing.

DAY 13

Gyirung County → Kathmandu

After breakfast, complete border formalities at the Nepal–China border and continue the drive back to Kathmandu. Arrival by evening and rest after the long journey.

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DAY 14

Kathmandu – Departure

After breakfast, attend a brief **Kailash Mansarovar Yatra** appreciation ceremony. Later, transfer to Kathmandu International Airport for onward departure, concluding the sacred journey with lifelong spiritual memories.

Cost Includes

The tour cost includes all essential services required to complete the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra safely and comfortably. This covers three nights' accommodation in Kathmandu in premium 3-star category hotels on a twin-sharing basis, ensuring proper rest and preparation before and after the yatra.

Accommodation during the journey includes one night at Kyirung and nine nights across Tibet, arranged in a combination of hotels and guest houses as available in remote high-altitude regions.

All Tibet Group Visa and travel permit fees are included, along with Kailash and Mansarovar Yatra permits, Langtang National Park entry, and other mandatory government charges.

The package includes pure vegetarian meals throughout the yatra on a full-board basis (breakfast, lunch, and dinner), prepared keeping hygiene and pilgrim dietary needs in mind.

Transportation within Tibet is provided by air-conditioned luxury coaches on a point-to-point basis, while Kathmandu–Rasuwagadhi–Kathmandu transfers are arranged by suitable vehicles.

The yatra is supported by an English-speaking Tibetan guide, experienced Nepali tour leader, and trained support staff including cooks, helpers, and Sherpas in a 5:1 pilgrim-to-staff ratio.

To ensure safety and comfort, the cost also includes a support truck for luggage, refundable down jacket, duffel bag, backpack, cap, oxygen cylinder, first-aid medical kit, and emergency

At the completion of the journey, pilgrims are awarded a Kailash **Mansarovar Yatra Appreciation Certificate.**

Cost Excludes

The tour cost does not include international airfare, travel insurance, or any personal expenses such as laundry, beverages, phone usage, or tips.

Charges for pony, horse, porter, or personal assistance during the Kailash Parikrama are not included and must be paid directly by the pilgrim if required.

Any medical treatment, emergency evacuation, or rescue cost, additional accommodation due to early return, delays, or unforeseen circumstances will be borne by the traveler.

GST (5%), bank charges, and payment gateway transaction fees are not included in the tour cost.

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Payment Terms

1,710 USD = 1,60,000 INR PP approx (has to be paid at Nepal-Tibet border in USD only) 45 days before trip: 75,000 INR PP

10,000 INR Booking amount

Total amount: **2,35,000 INR pp**

Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be communicated in writing via email or official communication channels. Verbal cancellations will not be accepted.

- 45 days or more before departure: 25% of total tour cost will be deducted
- 30 days before departure: 50% of total tour cost will be deducted
- Less than 15 days before departure: No refund will be applicable

Refunds, if any, will be processed after deducting applicable expenses already incurred.

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Required Documents

Pilgrims must hold a **passport valid for at least six months** from the date of travel.

The age limit for Indian citizens is up to 69 years, subject to medical fitness.

A clear scanned copy of the passport must be submitted 45 days prior to departure, and the original passport must reach the Delhi office 25 days before the yatra for visa processing.

Important Notes & Terms

Visa issuance and final approval are entirely subject to Chinese Government and Tibet Tourism Bureau regulations. The itinerary may be modified due to weather conditions, road blockages, border restrictions, or administrative orders.

The company's responsibility is limited strictly to services mentioned in the inclusions. Any additional costs arising due to unforeseen circumstances must be borne by the pilgrim.

Medical fitness is mandatory, as this is a high-altitude journey involving extreme weather, low oxygen levels, and physical exertion. Participation is at the pilgrim's own risk.

Purchasing comprehensive travel insurance covering medical emergencies, evacuation, and trip cancellation is strongly recommended.

Health, Clothing & Preparation (Summary)

Pilgrims must carry warm layered clothing, thermal wear, down jackets, gloves, caps, and comfortable trekking shoes suitable for snow and rough terrain.

Personal medicines, Diamox tablets for altitude, sunglasses, sunscreen, and basic toiletries should be carried from home.

Consumption of alcohol and smoking is strictly prohibited during the yatra.

Mandatory acclimatization at Mansarovar Lake is included in the itinerary to reduce the risk of altitude sickness and ensure safe continuation of the journey.

Important Update

As per the latest official update, there is a mandatory increase in the cost of Kailash Mansarovar Yatra 2026. The China (Tibet) side has implemented a USD 150 per person increase across all routes. Additionally, the Nepal side has also revised its pricing with an increase of ₹5,000 per person for overland tours, ₹15,000 for the Lucknow heli route, and ₹25,000 for the Kathmandu heli route. There is also a possibility of a further increase of approximately USD 150–250 per person if the proposed fixed kitchen system is implemented. These revised rates are compulsory and applicable to all bookings.

At the same time, an important travel advisory has been issued regarding the Saga Dawa Festival, scheduled from 17 May to 16 June 2026. During this period, permits for the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra will not be issued, and tour operators are advised not to plan or confirm any tours within these dates. Pilgrims are advised to plan their journey either before mid-May or after mid-June 2026 to avoid any inconvenience.

How do I make Payment?

All payments must be issued in favour of Nagarjuna Travels only. We accept payments through Bank Transfers, UPI Payments (Paytm, PhonePe, Google Pay, RuPay etc.) or Cash Deposit, in our current bank account. Credit Card payments will attract 2% fee (all domestic credit/debit cards) for online bank charges.

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